

SHIMADA et al  
Appl. No. 10/771,263  
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**REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**


Claims 25 – 33 have been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge the undersigned's deposit account #14-1140 in whatever amount is necessary for entry of these papers and the continued pendency of the captioned application.

Should the Examiner feel that an interview with the undersigned would facilitate allowance of this application, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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